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SUBJECT: RIVER SECURITY

REF: STATE 075845 (NOTAL)

1. THE SAIGON REPRESENTATIVE OF AMERICAN PRESIDENT LINES (APL) INFORM

US THAT HE HAS VIGOROUSLY PROTESTED THE DECISION BY THE COMPANY, BASED ON COMPLETELY ERRONEOUS INFORMATION FROM THEIR SAIGON OFFICE, NOT TO HAVE APL SHIPS PROCEED UP RIVER TO SAIGON AND TO HAVE A SHIP OF A SUBSIDIARY LINE OUT OF SAIGON AND 100 MILES OFF-SHORE BEFORE MONDAY AFTERNOON.

2. THE FALSE INFORMATION ON WHICH THESE ORDERS ARE APPARENTLY BASED IS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE RIVER IS MINED AND THERE IS A DANGER OF ROCKETS ALONG THE RIVER. THIS IS TOTALLY UNTRUE. THE CONDITIONS IN THE SAIGON PORT AND ALONG THE RIVER FROM VUNG TAU HAVE NOT CHANGED FROM WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN FOR A LONG TIME. THERE IS NO MORE RISK FOR SHIPS AT THIS TIME THAN PREVIOUSLY. IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE AND PERHAPS EVEN LIKELY, THE RUMORS OF THIS NATURE ARE DELIBERATELY
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PLANTED TO CREATE CONFUSION.

3. REQUEST IMMEDIATE INTERVENTION AT A HIGH LEVEL BY STATE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE USG AGENCIES WITH APL AND OTHER SHIPPING COMPANIES TO GET THE FACTS STRAIGHTENED OUT AND HAVE THEM RESCIND INSTRUCTIONS SO THAT SHIPS SCHEDULED INTO SAIGON CAN PROCEED. YOU CAN ALSO ASSURE COMPANIES THAT WE ARE IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE VIETNAMESE NAVY AND THEY HAVE ASSURED US THAT THEY WILL PROVIDE SECURITY ON THE RIVER.

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